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SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATION

This communication is further to the response submitted September 17, 2008.

In view of the following remarks, the Examiner is requested to withdraw the rejection and allow claims 1-18, 23, 25-26, 29 and 31, the only claims pending and currently under examination in this application.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claims 1-18, 23, 25, 26, 29 and 31 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a) as being unpatentable over Suzuki et al., US Patent No. 5,972,438 ("Suzuki") in view of Ziolo et al., US Patent No. 5,972,438 ("Ziolo").

In addition to the arguments presented in the Response to Office Action submitted on September 17, 2008, Applicants wish to provide the following comments.

Applicants maintain that the Suzuki and Ziolo references, alone or in combination, fail to provide any motivation to one of ordinary skill in the art to combine the references to arrive at the claimed invention. Further, even if such alleged motivation were to exist, Applicants submit that, at best, one of ordinary skill in the art would arrive not at the claimed invention.